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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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LESSON FOR MAY 11.

SIN AND ITS CONSEQUENCES.

LESSON TEXT—Genesis 3:1-24.

GOLDEN TEXT—The wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.—Rom. 6:23.

DEVOTIONAL READING—Psalms 51: 1-12.

ADDITIONAL MATERIAL—Rom. 1:18-32; James 1:13-15.

PRIMARY TOPIC—Disobeying One Mad Friday Father.

JUNIOR TOPIC—How Disobedience Began in This World.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Destructive Power of Sin.

HOME AND ADULT TOPIC—The Nature and Results of Sin.

An outlook upon the world proves that man is not what he should be. Then, too, apart from gospel influence there is no sign of improvement. The only way of accounting for the discrepancy between what man is and what he should be is by the Fall. This is the way that the Bible accounts for it. The introduction of sin in the universe.

I. The Temptation (Gen. 3:1-5).

Man possessed a free will, in the exercise of which he turned away from God and his commandment. This was done at the instance of the devil working through the serpent. He did not appear as he really was, but in disguise. The method employed was (1) casting the woman's mind alone; (2) in causing doubt into her mind as to God's word and love. At this point Satan began to believe that God did not mean what he said, and that he was unkind in placing restrictions upon them. In this the devil slandered God, even accusing the Almighty of jealousy and fraud. (3) Appeal to innocent appetite. (4) His grand upon the fruit which God had forbidden. Looking upon forbidden fruit. (5) She listened after that which God had forbidden. That which God has forbidden should not be looked at lest the heart should lust for it.

II. The Fall (3:6-8).

From lusting to indulgence was a short step. This act of disobedience has brought on all the world's woe and misery. Eve not only disobeyed, but involved Adam in her sin. Aspiring to be gods, they became the slaves of sin. They came to know good and evil, but by sad experience. They knew sin without the power to free themselves from it.

III. The Consequences of the Fall (3:9-24).

1. The disturbed relationship with God (vv. 9, 10). The familiar intercourse which man enjoyed with the Almighty was sacred and broke by sin. Sin makes life intolerable in the divine presence. Adam and Eve not only hid from God's presence, but when began to make excuses and even laid the blame on God.

2. The serpent was degraded and henceforth became a type of sin and Satan (v. 14; cf. Num. 21:9; John 3:14; Rev. 12:9). This doom was pronounced without trial. In the case of man it was not so.

3. The abiding enmity between the two seeds (v. 15; cf. John 8:40-45; Matt. 23:33). The antagonism thus begun reached its climax in the crucifixion of Christ. Satan's seed has been ever since unceasing to destroy the Lord's work and his workers.

4. The ultimate victory of the woman's seed (v. 15). Satan harassed the woman's seed; bruised his heel, but finally the cross made what he thought crushed the serpent's head (John 12:31; Heb. 2:14; 1 John 3:8). This was the first gleam of the glorious light of the gospel of Christ. The victory was marvelous, but the cost was infinite (Isa. 53; 2 Cor. 5:21).

5. Judgment upon the woman (v. 16). The relation to her as a wife and mother; also to her subordination to man. This is God's decree, and all efforts of fleeting one's self from it are fightings against God.

6. Man's new relationship to the earth (vv. 17-19). The earth was cursed on his account. Because of the rank growth of thorns and thistles man must make an increased effort to subdue him with his sinful nature would be in a bad state without the necessity of toil (Rom. 8:19-22).

7. Death (vv. 19). This includes physical and spiritual death—both the result of sin.

8. Expulsion from the garden (v. 24). This was an act of great mercy. To have partaken of the tree of life and live forever in a sinful state would have been intolerable.

Exercise Is Necessary.

If a man does not exercise his arm he develops no biceps muscle; and if a man does not exercise his soul he acquires no muscle in his soul, no strength of character, no vigor of moral fiber, no beauty of spiritual growth.—Henry Drummond.

Sermon Crowded Out.

Go to that little church of yours and quit your fault finding. Cut the fine music and staging and pomp and splendor of the large churches in the city. By the time they get through with their preludes and interludes and doludes there won't be much time for a sermon.

Joy is to Obey the Laws.

The state of heaven are free because its magnitudes of liberty, their joy is to obey the laws.—William Watson.

If you miss the TIMES-VIRGINIAN the local news of your county is also missed. Send it to your distant relatives.

Keeping Surplus Eggs for Future Use

Since in the spring those who have a good sized flock of chickens get more eggs than they can use or care to sell at spring prices, it is a good plan to store these for later use or until prices are better. Eggs are so perishable that the price drops when the market is glutted and the hens prove unreliable as layers when the price is high, so that we need to plan to overcome both of these drawbacks to get the best results.

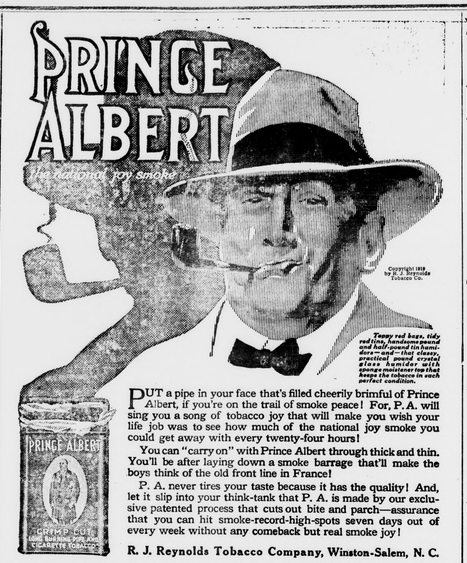
It is very important in the first place to have eggs of good quality; the better they are the better they will keep and the longer they can be kept. After the breeding season, confine or sell the males and have only infertile eggs for storing. Keep nests clean and do not try to keep eggs that have in any manner become filthy; eggs, like milk easily become contaminated, and storing does not remedy the contamination; the bacteria which get in from the filth soon multiply in such numbers as to spoil the egg, though these must be some of these organisms in all eggs, no matter how clean they may be. The important thing in keeping eggs for a long season is to prevent them from developing in the embryo; this is done by keeping down the temperature as in cold storage and by depriving the organisms of oxygen by keeping the eggs immersed in some liquid or in other manner.

The two best methods which have been employed for this latter purpose, which is the only plan that is possible to use on the farm, are the immersion of the eggs in lime water, and in a solution of water glass, the latter having given the best results. It is made of ten quarts of boiled water, cooled, to which is added one quart of water glass liquid, this amount being sufficient to fifteen to twenty dozen eggs. Stone crocks or glass jars or wooden tubs are better than metal containers for this purpose. The lime-water solution is made up of about one pound of freshly slaked lime to five gallons of water. With either solution, the eggs must all be covered with the liquid and the container covered to prevent evaporation.—Progressive Farmer.

Use Scalding Water to Wash Dishes

There seems to be an almost universal belief that lukewarm water, a little soap and any kind of an old rag will clean dishes. People do not seem to know that to actually clean dishes, particularly cups, glasses, forks and spoons, of dangerous mouth secretions, which are the means of spreading most of our contagious diseases, from tuberculosis to whooping cough, that it is necessary to scald them. Some people for fear of breaking their glasses, never scald them. They do not know that if they are rolled or submerged quickly into hot water, so that the glass expands evenly, there is no danger of breaking them.

It is not only practicable but it saves labor to have a pan or pot of boiling water in which to dip the dishes, especially the cups, knives, forks and spoons, after they have been washed. This makes the drying of them easy and leaves them clean and glistening; it is easily done by arranging them in wire baskets and using a clean, soft cloth for wiping them; the china need not be wiped at all. Glasses and silver streak if not wiped.



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INTERESTING STORIES ABOUT HOME FOLKS.

Our Correspondents Relate the News of the County

Red Ho

A registered dog belonging to Dr R. W. Williams was killed on Wednesday. Mrs. Williams always sent him to tell Dr. Williams when any meal was ready and he never failed to bring him. When told it was bedtime he would get up, scratch himself, go to them both for a good-night pat on the head, then out to his room as any gentleman would do.

He was only a dog but we loved him,
And we cried when we laid him away
Out in the silent garden
Just at the close of day.

He was only a dog but he loved us,
And he watched with eyes tender and kind,
But today he lies silent and helpless
Out 'neath the sheltering vine.

He was only a dog but we loved him,
And in our hearts will linger memories alway
For the little black dog that's sleeping
Out in the garden today.

—Mrs. Lt. W. W.

Appomattox Fish Story

On last Friday a certain county officer of Appomattox dropped in on a fishing party just as they were ready to reap the reward of their morning's work (12 o'clock noon—that is one thing county officers are up in). The party then was composed of R. F. Burke, H. C. Babcock, Mr. Geo. Irby, of Nottoway county, with full grey beard; E. T. Price, N. R. Featherston, Lavilla Babcock, S. T. Megginson, Jr., Thos. Moore, and last, but not least, one known to every fish that swims the James river from Lynchburg to Bremo Bluff—Hunter Moore.

Homer Babcock claims the German carp Hunter Moore caught, and Hunter Moore and Homer both said that he, Homer, is therefore entitled to give Homer the credit. Homer found a bag large enough to get the fish in, took it on his back and started on a half mile hike, after stops giving a genuine Indian war whoop; but it was so heavy he had to get help to get it to its destination, it weighing over thirty pounds. After taking off the head and tail, it was cooked and put on the table, whole, filling a large dish, with enough of the little end roaching over to fill a plate. Eight grown men, all well known for their capacity to relieve a dining table of its ornaments (especially the county officers in the crowd), ate to their satisfaction and never turned the fish over. Twenty men of ordinary appetite would have made a good meal on that fish and then probably had some left.

It may be of interest to the readers to know where this fishing party was so royally entertained. Near the beautiful little village of Riverville, on the border between Appomattox and Amherst counties, amid some as beautiful scenery as can be found in Virginia, the mighty forests on the hill tops of Appomattox county gently nodding good wishes to lofty peaks of her sister county of Amherst, and the weeping willows bow so gracefully to the crystal waters of the majestic James, lives Ned Moore's family, whose hospitality can not be excelled. There is where the party enjoyed a visit that will never be forgotten, for nowhere will you find a place you will enjoy more and be better treated than at the home of Ned Moore. Mrs. Ocie Moore, Ned's wife, being known in all parts of Appomattox and Amherst counties for her superiority in housekeeping. No one that ever partakes of the dainties that decorate the table around which hungry mankind delights to assemble can resist the temptation to visit them at every opportunity. X.

[The Editor does not vouch for the story, as there are some good story tellers in this crowd.]

Victory Liberty Loan Posters Should Be Removed. When Campaign Closes

The request has been made generally that every Victory Liberty Loan poster be taken down immediately upon the conclusion of the Victory Liberty Loan Campaign so that the advertising space may not be appropriated by unauthorized persons.

In many cases patriotic people have lent fences and other space for the display of Liberty Loan posters, and the day after the loan campaign was concluded, "snipers" put up commercial posters in their place. Owners of the privileged locations naturally felt that their generosity had been abused, and erroneously blamed the Poster Advertising Association which is lending its boards throughout the country to the War Loan Organization.

To prevent this privilege, granted to the government for a specific purpose, from being abused, the cooperation of the police and other proper authorities has been enlisted, and that of the Victory Liberty workers generally.

Profit In Education

The board of education of the Methodist Episcopal church, New York, has just published a booklet entitled, "It Pays to Educate," in which statistics cited are turned and worked over in such a way as to bring the truthfulness of the title to the reader's mind with unusual vividness.

It makes the statement, for example, that "every day spent in school pays the child $9," and bolsters it with the following statistical proof:

"Uneducated laborers earn on the average $500 per year for 40 years, a total of $20,000.

"High school graduates earn on the average $1,000 per year for 40 years, a total of $40,000

"This education required 12 years of school of 180 days each, a total of 2,160 days in school.

"If 2,160 days at school adds $20,000 to the income for life then each day at school adds $9.02."

The conclusion, therefore, that the child who stays out of school to earn less than $9 a day is losing, not making, money!

All Dogs Not Licensed Must be Killed

The Department of Game and Inland Fisheries has announced that instructions will be issued to its wardens to proceed on July 1st to kill all dogs on which the tax has not been paid. Persons who neglect to pay the tax on dogs owned by them on February 1st are also amenable to a fine.

Roll of Honor for Rocks School for April

3d Grade—Elbert Dinkins, Clara Marsh.

3d Grade—Myrie Dinkins, Jessie Anderson, Jim F. Ranson.

Evolution of Heroes.

Great men need to be lifted upon the shoulders of the whole world, in order to conceive their great ideas or perform their great deeds; that is, there must be an atmosphere of greatness round about them. A hero cannot be a hero unless in a heroic world.—Hawthorne.

SUMMARY OF THE TREATY GERMANY MUST ACCEPT

Marks Nation's End as a Military, Naval and Colonial Power for All Time.

EX-KAISER TO BE TRIED.

Wilson Pledges Himself to Propose to Senate a Treaty to Protect France. Germany Responsible for All Damages—First Payment 20,000,000,000 Marks.

New York.—An official summary of the peace treaty made public here by the Committee on Public Information says: "In addition to the securities afforded in the treaty of peace the President of the United States has pledged himself to propose to the senate of the United States, and the prime minister of Great Britain has pledged himself to propose to the parliament of Great Britain in engagement, subject to the council of the League of Nations, to come immediately to the assistance of France in case of unprovoked attack by Germany."

Germany, by the terms of the treaty, restores Alsace-Lorraine to France, accepts the internationalization of the Saar basin temporarily and of Danzig permanently, agrees to territorial changes toward Belgium and Denmark and in East Prussia, cedes most of Upper Silesia to Poland, and renounces all territory and political rights outside Europe, as to her own or her allies' territories, and especially to Morocco, Egypt, Siam, Liberia and Shantung. She also recognizes the total independence of German-Austria, Czecho-Slovakia and Poland.

Her army is reduced to a hundred thousand men including officers; conscription within her territories is abolished; all forts fifty kilometres east of the Rhine razed; all importation, exportation and nearly all production of war material stopped.

Allied occupation of parts of Germany will continue till reparation is made, but will be reduced at the end of each of three five-year periods if Germany is fulfilling her obligation. Any violation by Germany of the conditions as to the zone fifty-kilometres east of the Rhine will be regarded as an act of war.

The German navy is reduced to six battleships, six light cruisers and twelve torpedo boats, without submarines, and a personnel of not more than 15,000. All other vessels must be surrendered or destroyed. Germany is forbidden to build forts controlling the Baltic, must demolish Heligoland, open the Kiel canal to all nations and surrender her then submarine cables. She may have no military or naval air forces except 100 unarmed seaplanes until October to detect mines, and may manufacture aviation material for civil needs.

Responsibility for Damage.

Germany accepts full responsibility for damages caused to allied and associated governments and nationals, agrees specifically to reimburse all civilian damages, beginning with an initial payment of 20,000,000,000 marks, subsequent payments to be secured by bonds to be issued at the discretion of the Reparation Commission. Germany is to pay shipping damage on a ton-for-ton basis by cession of a large part of her steam ship, coasting and river fleet and by new construction, and to devote her economic resources to the rebuilding of the devastated regions.

She agrees to return to the most favored nation tariffs, without discrimination of any sort; to allow allied and associated nationals freedom of transit through her territories, and to accept highly detailed provisions as to pre-war debts, unfair competition, internationalization of roads and rivers and other economic and financial clauses. She also agrees to the trial of the ex-Kaiser by an international high court for a supreme offense against international morality and of other nationals for violation of the laws and customs of war. Holland to be asked to ext adite the former and Germany being responsible for delivering the latter.

No League Membership Yet.

The League of Nations is accepted by the allied and associated powers as operative, and by Germany in principle, but without membership. Similarly an international labor body is brought into being with a permanent office and an annual convention. A great number of international bodies of different kinds and for different purposes are created, some under the League of Nations and some to execute the peace treaty.

Among the former is the commission to govern the Saar basin till a plebiscite is held fifteen years hence; the high commissioner of Danzig, which is created into a free city under the League, and various commissions for plebiscites in Malmody, Schleswig, and East Prussia. Among those to carry out the peace treaty are the reparation, military, naval, air, financial, and economic commissions, the international high court and military tribunals to fix responsibilities, and a series of bodies for the control of international rivers.

Some Problems Left for Solution.

Certain problems are left for solution between the Allied and Associated Powers, notably details of the disposi-

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OLD BUCKINGHAM.

THE GRAND OLD COUNTY PHOTOGRAPHED

Many Interesting Reports Made of Her People.

Sorry to tell you, but hay has advanced in price, so has flour. Hay is retailing at $2 50 per hundred. I saw a man have a load of baled hay coming home from Dillwyn on Saturday last and said he paid $48 00 for the load. Good meal is to be had at $2 00 per bushel. Hams and sides selling for the same price and it is easier to sell sides than it is to sell hams. I saw a man the other day have a shad he paid $1 25 for.

The Democratic County Committee met here on May 5th and decided to make nominations by a primary to be held the same day of the State Primary. It was also decided that candidates for justices of the peace, constables and overseers of the poor will not have to pay any fee to get their names on the ticket. nor will they have to present a petition, signed by 50 voters, asking them to become candidates. Candidates for supervisor will pay a fee of one dollar; candidates for treasurer will pay a fee of $25; candidates for commissioner of revenue will pay a fee of $10.00, and the other candidates will pay a fee equal to the per centum of the salaries the office pays.

Misses Ella Moseley and Roy Rogers have been on a trip to Washington.

Dr. P. E. Tucker has come home after being in France for some months. It is reported here that Dr. Tucker will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for House of Delegates. Col. A. L Pitts has already announced his candidacy.

As I write the news comes that Miss Mary Simpson and little Emma Glover are both still very ill and that Dr. Manifred Call of Richmond, and Dr. Perkins Glover, of Arvonia, had been up to "Midway" to see the patients and hold a consultation.

Mr. Richard Crews has been taken to Richmond to undergo an operation for appendicitis.

Mrs. Willie Wood lost her youngest child one day last week.

An infant child of Linius Ellis, colored, also died last week.

Tobacco plants are growing but very slowly, and some farmers are using nitrate of soda to hasten the growth.

I have had some ripe strawberries out of my patch, and I have planted my sweet potatoes.

Antiquity of the Jews.

Armenian and Georgian historians of southern Russia record that the Jew had settled among them in remote antiquity. They have evidence to prove that the children of Israel had lived round the Caspian and Caucasus prior to the destruction of the first temple—B. B. C.—trading in jewels and horses with Acco, Tyre, Sidon and other Phoenician cities.

Staving Off Old Age.

Among many other extraordinary plans for prolonging one's stay on this interesting planet may be mentioned that of a South African savant who advised people to eat every day four pounds of bananas steeped in sweetened whisky, and that of a professor in the University of Pennsylvania who believed that much could be done in the way of staving off old age by frequently having one's feet tickled!

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and for many years it was supposed to be incurable. Doctors prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Catarrh is a local disease greatly influenced by constitutional conditions and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Medicine, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is a constitutional remedy, is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. Its Mucous Surfaces of the system. One Hundred Dollars reward is offered for any case that Hall's Catarrh Medicine fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

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Your kind and welcome letter found me very well. Was truly glad to hear that all were well.

I am going to have some photos taken as soon as possible. Will bring you and papa some silverware when I come home.

I have experienced a good bit of war. Was up near the Front where I could see the German airplanes come and our aircraft guns shoot at them. Also at night I could feel the jar from the terrible bombs as they droped near us. I saw men's skulls, legs and bodies shot to pieces; and the trees in the forest had their tops cut out by those great guns. I saw bullets as long as my leg sticking in the trees.

Would love to see you all. I have many interesting things to tell you that you would enjoy listening to, and just to know that you had one son old enough to cross the sea and was able to stand the trip—I mean I did not get seasick—and by the protection of Almighty God no hurt, harm nor danger has yet befallen me.

I can't tell when I will come home.

When have you heard from Eva, or have you been to see her? Hope it won't be long before I can come home to see you all. Give my love to everybody who asks about me.

Mirror History.

In the early part of the sixteenth century mirrors first became articles of household furniture and decoration. Previous to that time—from the twelfth to the end of the fifteenth century—pocket mirrors or small hand mirrors, carried at the girdle, were adjuncts to ladies' toilettes. The pocket mirrors consisted of small circular plaques of polished metal fixed in a shallow circular box covered with a lid.

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